

# ISLAND VIBES

the Official Newsletter for the City of South Padre Island

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Saturday Recycling

Date: Every Saturday  
 Time: 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM  
 Where: 4501 Padre Blvd  
 South Padre Island, TX 78597  
[Click here](#) for event details.

### Kids' Art Lab

Date: Tues, Thurs, & Sat in August  
 Time: 12:00 PM (Tues/Thurs),  
 4:00 PM (Tues), 11:00 AM (Sat)  
 Where: Art Business Incubator  
[Click here](#) for event details.

### Travel Journal Workshop

Date: August 6th  
 Time: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM  
 Where: Art Business Incubator  
[Click here](#) for event details.

### Ladies Kingfish Tournament

Date: August 11th - 13th  
 Time: 4:00 PM Registration  
 Where: SPI Convention Center  
[Click here](#) for event details.

### Tacos y Tequila Festival

Date: August 2nd - 6th  
 Time: 3:00 PM Registration  
 Where: SPI Convention Center  
[Click here](#) for event details.

### SPIsland Games

Date: August 2nd - 6th  
 Time: 3:00 PM Registration  
 Where: SPI Convention Center  
[Click here](#) for event details.

There's no shortage of events happening on South Padre Island [Click here](#) to join the fun and see what's happening.

## CITY MEETINGS

View upcoming meetings, live stream meetings in session, & watch archived meetings [here](#).



## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Here are some highlights from August 2nd City Council Regular Meeting!

- Public hearing regarding the 2023/2023 - 2026/2027 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).
- Update regarding City crosswalks.
- Presentation regarding the new marketing plan for FY23/24.
- Approval of the draft of Chapter 7 of the City of South Padre Island Code of Ordinances as recommended by the Adhoc Committee.
- Approval of the Order of General Election for Municipalities for November 7th, 2023 general election for the purpose of electing two City Council Member (Mayor and Place 4).

To watch this meeting online click or scan the QR code.



## PET OF THE WEEK

Tanner is this week's Friends of Animal Rescue (FOAR) Pet of the Week! He gets along with other dogs, is crate trained, and is currently learning basic training commands. He has been neutered, vaccinated, microchipped, and tested for heartworm disease which he is negative for. Meet all the adoptable animals at FOAR, 4908 Padre Blvd, between 10 am - 4 pm. Ready to adopt? Complete the online application [here](#).



## Last Day to Register

The City of South Padre Island General Election is to be held on Nov. 7, 2023! **The last day to register to vote is October 10, 2023.**

Make sure your voter registration is up-to-date! Click here to confirm, update, or register.

For additional information, please contact Angelique Soto, City Secretary, at (956) 761-8109 or via e-mail at [nsoto@myspi.org](mailto:nsoto@myspi.org).

## Ballot Applications

Candidate applications for a place on the general election ballot can be filed with the City Secretary between Monday, July 24, 2023, through Monday, Aug. 21, 2023. The deadline to file in the general election is Monday, Aug. 21, 2023, by 5 p.m.

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## COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Parks Committee announced it's now accepting applications for the Community Garden Plots at Butterfly Park. You can adopt a plot from August 2023 to January 2024.

The deadline to submit is August 14th. [Click here](#) for an application and additional information or contact Parks & Recreation Manager, Debbie Huffman, at 956-761-8168 or [Dhuffman@myspi.org](mailto:Dhuffman@myspi.org).



## Basket Ball Court Update

Construction on the Pavilion over the Basketball Court at John L. Tompkins Park has commenced! The Basketball Court will be closed off during construction of the pavilion. The Basketball court at Water Tower Park located at 108 W. Huisache will remain open for the public to use.



## Hurricane Season

Hurricane season ends on November 30th! To stay prepared use these tips:

- [Sign up](#) for Rave, the City's emergency alert notification system.
- [Register](#) your vehicle for a re-entry sticker if you live or own property on the Island.
- Develop an emergency plan that includes:
  - Property vulnerability
  - Important documents
  - Food and water
  - Transportation
  - Medication and first aid
  - Pets



For more tips and information on hurricane preparedness, [click here](#).

## Fireworks Capital of Texas

Check out these amazing Firework Shows to see why South Padre Island is the Fireworks Capital of Texas! All of these shows start at 9:15 PM.



Labor Day fireworks at the SPI Entertainment District.



Fireworks over the Bay at Louie's Backyard



Fireworks on the Beach at The Isla Grand



Fireworks over the Bay at Louie's Backyard  
Fireworks on the Pier at Clayton's Beach Bar



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## ISLAND METRO

Need a ride around the Island? You can ride the metro for free as many times as you need from 7:00 AM until 9:00 PM every day of the week.

The Metro has routes from the South Padre Island Convention Center to Laguna Heights. View the bus schedule [here](#) and the route descriptions [here](#).

**#JOIN  
TEAM SPI**

The City of South Padre Island is hiring! To view open positions or submit an application, [click here](#).